

**COMMUNIST ORDER OF BATTLE IN NORTH KOREA AND MANCHURIA**

- I. Communist ground strength in Korea is now estimated to total 1,087,000.
  - A. Chinese Communist - 13 armies plus ten independent artillery divisions - 741,000 men.
  - B. Six armies on the line and remainder are in reserve or on coastal missions on the western coast.
  - C. North Korean - six corps - 346,000 men.
  - D. Three corps on the line and the remainder used as coastal defense.
- II. This represents a decrease of 171,000 Chinese troops since armistice.
  - A. Total of seven Chinese armies have been withdrawn from Korea since or just prior to armistice.
  - B. The five Chinese Communist armies stationed in Manchuria include four armies withdrawn from Korea since or just prior to the Korean armistice. Total strength in Manchuria 221,000.
- III. North Korean Army has increased since armistice by 59,000, only 13,000 of which are effective combat troops.
  - A. Since armistice artillery, AA and armored units have been reorganized and strengthened.
  - B. Now have 3,138 mortars, 510 AA, 968 artillery.
- IV. North Korean Air Force is now based almost entirely in North Korea.
  - A. Sixteen airfields now serviceable - seven can

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- B. Strength still approximately same as at armistice.
  - C. 340 aircraft (170 jet fighters, 100 conventional bombers and 40 IL-28 jet bombers). Some of the bombers are still based in Manchuria.
- V. Chinese Air Force in Manchuria is still approximately the same as at armistice.
- A. 400-450 jet fighters - 55 IL-28 jet bombers in Manchuria.
  - B. 10-16 TU-4 medium bombers based near Peiping within range of Korea.

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VI. Soviet Air Force strength in Manchuria has decreased from ten MIG-15 regiments (about 400 planes) to seven regiments (about 250 planes).

- A. Like Chinese, these MIG's are based between Mukden and the Yalu.

**SOUTH KOREAN ORDER OF BATTLE**

I. South Korean army strength is approximately 610,000, of which 54 percent represents headquarters and service troops.

A. Four divisions have been activated since the armistice.

B. One field army, four corps, twenty divisions.

C. Weapons strength:

1. Artillery - 1094, mortar - 2819,  
tanks - 267.

II. South Korean air force strength is approximately same as time of armistice.

A. 118 conventional aircraft (77 F-51 fighters, the remainder trainers and light observation aircraft).